

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and the following remarks.

The Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication in the outstanding Office Action that claims 1-10 are directed to allowable subject matter, and that claim 14 would be allowed if amended to be in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claim 14 has been rewritten to be in independent form including all of the limitations of claim 11 (from which claim 14 depends), and claims 11-13 and 15-25 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. No new matter is entered.

In view of the above, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance, and a notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

If any issues remain which may best be resolved through a personal communication, the Examiner is requested to e-mail the undersigned at the address listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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